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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN PROPOSED AWARD
Geothermal Program Solicitation
Date: October 22, 2008

In May 2008, the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) Geothermal Program released a *Notice of Proposed Awards* (Notice) to announce new grants for geothermal projects. Total GRDA funding of \$5,726,047 was offered for all awards. This funding comes from the Geothermal Resources Development Account (GRDA) to fund projects that relate to geothermal research, development and demonstration, geothermal planning, or environmental mitigation. GRDA funding is derived from royalty payments for the use of public lands located in California on which geothermal energy is extracted.

The Energy Commission's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed, evaluated, and scored completed final applications using the criteria prescribed in the Program regulations. Based on the TAC's evaluation scores and suggested conditions on funding, the Energy Commission's Research, Development and Demonstration Committee (RD&D Committee) made its proposed funding recommendations for this Program solicitation. A Notice of Proposed Awards was issued on May 1, 2008, pursuant to those recommendations. All awards were funded through grants.

The full Commission approved the RD&D Committee's recommendations on approval of GRDA awards during a publicly noticed Business Meeting at the Energy Commission in Sacramento, California on May 21, 2008.

One of the awards was to Potter Drilling, LLC, Redwood City, CA, for \$72,365 to study increasing the adoption of geothermal heat pumps in California. Since that award, the company has dissolved by splitting into two companies, one of which is GroundSource Geothermal, Inc. Potter Drilling, LLC, has assigned responsibility for this study to GroundSource Geothermal, Inc. There will be no change in the project scope, budget, or personnel.

This Notice is made to inform the public of the re-assignment of the grant award to GroundSource Geothermal, Inc. During a publicly noticed Business Meeting at the Energy Commission in Sacramento, California, on October 22, 2008, the full Commission considered and approved the RD&D Committee's recommendation on re-assignment of the GRDA award.

Persons wishing further information about this matter may contact John Hingtgen at (916) 651-9106.

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